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Simplifying Idioms

Each sentence below contains an idiom used commonly. Read the sentence, and rewrite it without using the idiom, but not changing the meaning.

Example: Bob's job doesn't pay that much, but he is just about keeping his head above water.

Bob's job doesn't pay that much, but he is just managing with it.

- 1) Mrs. Martha was pleasantly surprised that the children hit it off so well with one another.

- 2) If you've got an interview, you have won half the battle in securing a job.

- 3) Through his profound articles, the writer hammered home the idea that addiction to mobile phones is turning into a serious problem.

- 4) The teacher has now assigned the work to Group B, so we're off the hook.

- 5) Dad always reminds me to submit my assignments early, and not wait until the eleventh hour.
